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Rule 12g3-2(b) File No. 82-34680

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By Federal Express

Office of International Corporate Finance Division of Corporate Finance Securities and Exchange Commission 450 Fifth Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20549 U.S.A.

Attention: Ms. Amy O'Brien

Re: File No. 82-34680/Sumitomo Corporation Submission of Information Required Under Rule 12g3-2(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

Dear Ms. O'Brien:

On behalf of Sumitomo Corporation (the "Company"), I am furnishing herewith the following information pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b)(1)(iii) (the "Rule") under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act").

Enclosed herewith please find a copy of the following document:

1. Press Release dated May 19, 2005 [English translation].

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This letter, together with the enclosure[s], shall not be deemed to be "filed" with the Commission or otherwise subject to the liabilities of Section 18 of the Exchange Act, nor shall the submission of this letter and the enclosed materials constitute an admission for any purpose that the Company is subject to the Exchange Act.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of this letter and the enclosures by stamping the enclosed copy of this letter and returning it to me via the enclosed pre-paid Federal Express envelope and label.

Very truly yours,

Koiehi Takahata

General Manager, Investor Relations Dept.

Sumitomo Corporation

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